COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS CITY OF ATTICA

5-10-2021

The Common Council for the City of Attica met on May 10th, 2021, at 6:00 P.M.

Those present at the meeting were: Council Members; Mr. Larry Grant, Mrs. Kaylie Carnahan, Mrs. Valarie Maus, Mrs. Patricia Hargan and Mr. Scott Voorhees, Also, present were Attorney Ingrid Barce, Mayor Duane Roderick, and Clerk-Treasurer Joanne Broadwater.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

 Voorhees made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 12th, 15th, 26th, and 29th 2021 council meetings, Maus seconded, all were in favor and the motion passed.

CITIZENS PETITIONS:

- Robert May asked the Council's permission to use the pavilion at Ravine park on August 21st to host a concert of 5 bands. The Council discussed the request and agreed to allow the use with an end time of 11:00 pm.
- Emily Harrison gave an update on the Community Development Course being offered in Attica.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

NONE

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Mayor Roderick swore in the new City of Attica Chief of Police Matthew Powell. The Council members congratulated our new Chief and wished him well.

Eric Swank Director of Public Works:

- Nothing to report.
- Patricia Hargan asked about electric at the riverfront. Swank stated he would speak to Duke Energy.

Acting Police Chief Askren:

- Working on ordinance violations in the city.
- Kyle thanked the Council for the opportunity to be acting Chief. The Council in turn thanked Kyle for his hard work in this position.

Chief Little, Fire Chief:

 Little stated the township fire contracts will be mailed out and include information on the 5% increase for the 2022 calendar year.

Mr. Pycke, Building Commissioner:

Pycke had nothing to report.

Rod Bannon, Economic Development Director:

Provided an update on WEGA.

Joanne Broadwater, Clerk-Treasurer:

Broadwater provided current Financials.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Ordinance to establish ARP fund. Ingrid provided an update on the newly released Treasury's interim rule on how this money can be spent. Primarily utilities and broadband. Ingrid will provide a memo to the Council with the details. Grant made a motion to establish the fund for the ARP funds, Hargan seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.
- Hargan asked about the parking ordinance, Ingrid said she emailed out an updated version for Council review.
- Salary Ordinance amendment, Chief Powell requested a salary increase from \$57,792.00 to \$60,000. Hargan made a motion to increase the Chief of Police's salary as requested, Voorhees seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.
- Roderick referenced a discussion from last meeting about increasing the park program director's salary. Carnahan read a statement from Karley Desutter the park program director, the Council discussed the request for an increased wage for the park program director and assistant director. Grant asked if correcting the park custodian pay should be included in this motion, Broadwater and Barce explained that they were still determining the correct pay amounts for this position and it is not ready to be voted on. Carnahan made a motion to increase the assistant park program director position from \$12 to \$15 per hour and the park program director position from \$15 to \$20 dollars per hour, Hargan seconded it, all were in favor, motion passed.
- Ordinance to amend zone map for Community Action. Grant stated the Advisory Plan Commission met and discussed changing the zoning from B1 to R2 to build 2 duplex units with small garages for each one at 175 Ave. 5. The Advisory Board voted unanimously to rezone these lots to R2. Maus made a motion to change the zoning of the lots from B1 to R2 conditional upon the purchase by Community Action, Carnahan seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.

 Resolution to accept assignment of tax sale certificates. This is for the Beaver property on Canal Street. Grant made a motion to accept the assignment of the tax sale certificate for the Beaver property, Hargan seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS: None

MISCELANOUS:

- City wide clean up will be May 13th and 14th.
- Carnahan asked about a request for proposal for the hotel. Voorhees stated we
 are waiting on the engineering report. The Council discussed this at length,
 because they want to make the right decision regarding the historic buildings in
 the 200 block downtown as well as the hotel. Carnahan stated she would like
 items from the hotel salvaged if it is demolished, Swank and Fire Chief Little both
 stated that the hotel structure is not stable enough to risk human life to salvage
 articles from the building.

ADJORNMENT:

Roderick stated he had no further business and requested a motion to adjourn. The next regular Council meeting will be held Monday, June 14th, 2021 at 6:00pm.

Grant made the motion to adjourn, Carnahan seconded, all were in favor, motion passed, meeting adjourned.

Duane Roderick, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joanne Broadwater, Clerk-Treasurer